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## OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following: On November 30, 2007, at approximately 8:00pm, San Antonio Police were called to the intersection of Fair and Gevers St for a major accident. When officers arrived, they were told that a male driver had fled the scene on foot. Officer Larry Norman, a 5 year veteran, and Officer Robert Martinez, a two-year veteran, began a search for the suspect around Nopal St and Waleetka St.

The officers saw the suspect exit a wooded area, as he walked westbound towards Nopal St. The officers reported that as the suspect exited the wooded area, he had his arms stretched out and yelled to the officers that he had a gun. The officers took cover behind a patrol car and ordered the suspect to stop and drop his gun. Instead of stopping, the suspect continued to advance towards the officers. Fearing for their lives, both officers fired their service weapons simultaneously at the suspect, subsequently striking him. After being struck by the gunfire, the suspect fell to the ground and died at the scene. At this time, no weapon has been recovered.

The identity of the suspect is being withheld pending positive identification and notification of next of kin.

The San Antonio Police Department's shooting Team is handling the investigation and will submit their findings to Police Chief William P. McManus and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office. As per policy, Officer Norman and Officer Martinez will be placed on administrative duty while the investigation continues.

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